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For:	METHODS OF MAKING AND USING A CORSAGE BAG	)	
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### **INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

# List of Sections Forming Part of This Information Disclosure Statement

The following sections are being submitted for this Information Disclosure Statement:

- 1. [x] Preliminary Statements
- 2. [x] Forms PTO/SB/08A and 08B (formerly Form PTO-1449)
- 3. [x] Statement as to Information Not Found in Patents or Publications
- 4. [x] Identification of Prior Application in Which Listed Information Was Already Cited and for Which No Copies Are Submitted or Need Be Submitted
- 5. [ ] Cumulative Patents or Publications

- Copies of Listed Information Items Accompanying this 6. [X] Statement
- Concise Explanation of Non-English Language Listed 7. [] **Information Items** 
  - [] **EPO Search Report** 7A.
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- Identification of Person(s) Making this Information 10. [X] Disclosure Statement

#### **Preliminary Statements** Section 1.

Applicants submit herewith patents, publications or other information of which they are aware, which they believe may be material to the examination of this application and in respect of which there may be a duty to disclose.

The filing of this information disclosure statement shall not be construed as a representation that a search has been made (37 C.F.R. § 1.97(g)), an admission that the information cited is, or is considered to be, material to patentability or that no other material information exists.

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#### Forms PTO/SB/08A and 08B (formerly Form PTO-Section 2. 1449)

A completed Form PTO/SB/08A and/or Form PTO/SB/08B is [X] attached hereto.

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## Section 3. Statement as to Information Not Found in Patents or **Publications (Information Not Listed in Form PTO-1449)**

The present invention relates generally to a bag and more particularly, but not by way of limitation, to a bag that is capable of encompassing an item such as a corsage. The present invention also relates to methods of making such a bag as well as methods for its use.

### Section 4. Identification of Prior Application in Which Listed Information Was Already Cited and for Which No Copies Are **Submitted or Need Be Submitted**

This application relies, under 35 U.S.C. § 120, on the earlier filing date of prior application Serial No. 10/098,671, filed on March 13, 2002.

(complete the following, if applicable)

This application also relies, under 35 U.S.C. 120, on the earlier filing date of prior application Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_, filed on \_\_\_\_\_ (date).

The following references were submitted to, and/or cited by, the Office in the prior application(s) and therefore, are not required to be provided in this application:

## **Section 5. Cumulative Patents or Publications**

### STATEMENT

\_ is cumulative of the following patents or publications listed on Form PTO-1449:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(c), a copy of only \_\_\_\_ is being submitted with this Information Disclosure Statement.

# Section 6. Copies of Listed Information Items Accompanying this Statement

Legible copies of all items listed in Form PTO-1449 (Modified) accompany this information disclosure statement.

- [X] Exception(s) to above:
  - [X] Items in prior application from which an earlier filing date is claimed for this application, as identified in Section 4.
  - [] Cumulative patents or publications identified in Section 5.

# Section 7. Concise Explanation of Non-English Language Listed Information Items

# Section 7A. Concise Explanation of Non-English Language Listed Information Items - EPO Search Report

The relevance with respect to the following citations listed on Form PTO-1449:

is submitted on the basis of accompanying:

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- [] EPO search report that is in the English language,
- [ ] EPO search report that is not in the English language and that is accompanied also by an English language version of the EPO search report,

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Section 7B. Concise Explanation of Non-English Language Listed Information Items - English Language Version of EPO Search Report

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Submitted herewith is an English translation of the following foreign language patents, publications or information or of those portions of those patents, publications or information considered to be material:

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## Section 9. Concise Explanation of English Language Listed Information Items (OPTIONAL)

#### Identification of Person(s) Making this INFORMATION Section 10. **DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

The person making this statement is the agent/attorney who signs below on the basis of the information:

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